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SUBJ: LOCKHEED AFFAIR: DEPUTY SECRETARY'S STATEMENT BEFORE  
PROXMIRE SUBCOMMITTEE

REF: STATE 054193

1. I MET WITH DIRGEN AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU YAMAZAKI AT 0915 HOURS MARCH 6 TO CONVEY SUBSTANCE OF US POSITION CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AS OUTLINED IN PARAS 22 THROUGH 25 OF REFTEL. (BY TIME OF MEETING, FOREIGN OFFICE ALREADY HAD RECEIVED FULL TEXT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY'S STATEMENT FROM JAPANESE EMBASSY WASHINGTON.) IN DOING SO, I CALLED YAMAZAKI'S ATTENTION TO FACT THAT DEPUTY SECRETARY'S REMARKS WERE GENERAL STATEMENT OF BASIC POLICY WHICH USG INTENDED TO FOLLOW IN SUCH SITUATIONS AND THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO SPECIFIC MENTION OF ANY PARTICULAR COUNTRY. YAMAZAKI COMMENTED THAT ALTHOUGH DEPUTY SECRETARY'S STATEMENT SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS A USG REPLY TO PRIME MINISTER MIKI'S LETTER HE ASSUMED THAT THAT REPLY WOULD QTE BE IN LINE UNQTE WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY'S STATEMENT. I SAID I THOUGHT THAT A REASONABLE ASSUMPTION.

2. YAMAZAKI SAID THAT INGERSOLL STATEMENT WOULD BE BROUGHT PROMPTLY TO ATTENTION OF PRIME MINISTER, FOREIGN MINISTER AND OTHR CABINET MEMBERS MOST DIRECTLY CONCERNED. HE COULD NOT BE CERTAIN THAT GOJ WOULD WISH TO COMMENT ON STATEMENT BEFORE RECEIVING PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO PRIME MINISTER'S LETTER, AND HE AGAIN EXPRESSED STRONG HOPE THAT THIS REPLY WOULD BE FORTHCOMING SOONEST. FUJII, WHO ALSO PRESENT,

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EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT GOVERNMENT MAY BE UNDER PRESSURE TO SEEK

LESS RESTRICTIVE CONDITIONS ON HANDLING OF ANY MATERIAL RELEASED.  
(FUJII UNDOUBTEDLY HAD IN MIND DIET INTERPELLATIONS MARCH 5 DURING  
WHICH OPPOSITION PARTIES PRESSED GOVERNMENT NOT TO AGREE TO CONDITIONS

WHICH WOULD PRECLUDE MAKING PUBLIC WHATEVER INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM  
US INCLUDING NAMES OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED.)  
FUJII NOTED THAT THE LONGER THE INTERVAL UNTIL RECEIPT OF  
THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY THE GREATER SUCH PRESSURES WOULD BE.

3. IN RESPONDING TO PRESS QUERIES ON SUBSTANCE OF STATEMENT  
FUJII THOUGHT THAT FOREIGN OFFICE SHOULD STATE ONLY THAT THESE  
NOW UNDER STUDY AND THAT GOJ MIGHT WISH TO SEEK FURTHER CLARIFICATION.

IN ADDITION, IT MIGHT BE NOTED THAT INGERSOLL STATEMENT WAS ONE OF  
GENERAL PRINCIPLES APPLYING TO NUMBER OF INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS  
AND THAT GOJ IS AWAITING PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO PRIME MINISTER'S LETTER.

4. I URGED YAMAZAKI TO LET ME HAVE HIS GOVERNMENT'S REACTIONS AND  
ANY QUESTIONS IT MAY HAVE SOONEST. HE SAID THAT HE WOULD DO  
SO BUT THOUGHT THAT IF FURTHER CLARIFICATION IS NEEDED IT MIGHT BE  
MORE EXPEDITIOUS TO DO SO THROUGH JAPANESE EMBASSY WASHINGTON.  
I AGREED.  
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